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Masaaki Yuri, et al.

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE AND
MULTIPLE WAVELENGTH LASER LIGHT
EMITTING APPARATUS EMPLOYING THE
SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In an attempt to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the U.S.

Patent Office the following references, which was found during the prosecution of a co-pending

European Patent Application:

U.S. Patent No. 4,266,549	Kimura
U.S. Patent No. 4,541,712	Whitney
U.S. Patent No. 4,686,485	Goldberg et al.
U.S. Patent No. 4,764,935	Wilcox et al.
U.S. Patent No. 4,831,630	Scifres et al.
U.S. Patent No. 4,868,839	Simmons et al.
U.S. Patent No. 5,274,657	Hori et al.
U.S. Patent No. 5,487,725	Peyman
U.S. Patent No. 5,713,892	Shimmick

European Patent Application No. EP 0 331 235
European Patent Application No. EP 0 301 846
European Patent Application No. EP 0 625 846
German Patent Application No. DE 33 30 293
German Patent Application No. DE 42 34 342
Patent Abstracts of Japan Publication No. 62115795

A copy of the European Search Report, these references and a form PTO-A820 are attached.

The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that each item contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a corresponding foreign application not more than three months prior to filing this statement.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would help further the prosecution of this case, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number.

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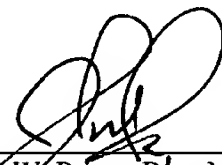


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